

The Honorable Jason Crow

3300 S. Parker Road #100

Aurora, CO 80014

U. S. House of Representatives, CO-06

April 26, 2021

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RE: Aurora Mental Health Center FY2022 Member Directed Community Project

District 5

Dear Congressman Crow,

On behalf of the Board of County Commissioners, I am writing in support of the Aurora Mental Health Center (AuMHC)'s proposal, which is a joint effort with STRIDE Community Health Center (STRIDE) to build a health campus including primary care, oral health, substance use disorder services and behavioral health crisis services. AuMHC and STRIDE have each been serving the most vulnerable residents of our communities for decades. The health campus model will bring together their shared expertise and experience to create a comprehensive continuum of services available in one location to ensure community members receive the right care, at the right time, and at the right location.

Arapahoe County strongly supports the proposed project as it will address health care priorities for the Aurora community, eliminating confusion for clients and community partners regarding acute behavioral healthcare access. The location at 1290 S. Potomac Street in Aurora is adjacent to The Medical Center of Aurora and just south of a I-225 highway exit. It is ideally located to meet the drop-off needs of first responders, support transitions of care from local hospitals, and promote coordination with other specialty healthcare providers located in this corridor.

We will continue to collaborate with AuMHC and STRIDE regarding this new location, as well as help identify additional community needs that could be addressed by the project. Thank you for considering this one-stop, comprehensive trauma informed campus as a priority project for the District.

Sincerely,

ARAPAHOE COUNTY

Commissioner Nancy Jackson

Chair, Board of County Commissioners



April 26, 2021

Congressman Jason Crow (CO-06) District Office 3300 S. Parker Road #100 Aurora, CO 80014

## Dear Congressman Crow,

This letter is to document the support of The Aurora Housing Authority for Aurora Mental Health Center's proposed FY2022 Member Directed Community Project. The project would support a joint effort between Aurora Mental Health Center (AuMHC) and STRIDE Community Health Center (STRIDE) to build a health campus including primary care, oral health, substance use disorder services and behavioral health crisis services. AuMHC and STRIDE have each been serving the most vulnerable residents of our communities for decades. The health campus model will bring together their shared expertise and experience to create a comprehensive continuum of services available in one location to ensure community members receive the right care, at the right time, and at the right location.

The Aurora Housing Authority strongly supports the proposed project as it will address priorities in access to healthcare services for the Aurora community, eliminating confusion for both clients and community partners regarding where to access acute behavioral healthcare. The location at 1290 S. Potomac Street in Aurora is adjacent to the Medical Center of Aurora and a host of other medical service buildings, is visible from I-225, and located just south of a highway exit making it ideally located to meet the drop-off needs of first responders, support transitions of care from local hospitals, and promote coordination with other specialty healthcare providers located in this corridor.

We support the proposed model to create a one-stop comprehensive, trauma-informed care campus. We will continue to collaborate with AuMHC and STRIDE regarding access and coordination between our agencies at the new location, and to identify additional community needs that could be addressed by the project. The proposal has our full support and we strongly encourage that this be identified as a priority community project for Congressional District CO-06.

Sincerely,

Craig A. Maraschky



James M. Twombly City of Aurora

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Congressman Jason Crow (CO-06) District Office 3300 S. Parker Road #100 Aurora, CO 80014

Dear Congressman Crow,

This letter is to document the support of the City of Aurora for Aurora Mental Health Center's proposed FY2022 Member Directed Community Project. The project would support a joint effort between Aurora Mental Health Center (AuMHC) and STRIDE Community Health Center (STRIDE) to build a health campus including primary care, oral health, substance use disorder services and behavioral health crisis services. AuMHC and STRIDE have each been serving the most vulnerable residents of our communities for decades. The health campus model will bring together their shared expertise and experience to create a comprehensive continuum of services available in one location to ensure community members receive the right care, at the right time, and at the right location.

The City of Aurora strongly supports the proposed project as it will address priorities in access to healthcare services for the Aurora community, eliminating confusion for both clients and community partners regarding where to access acute behavioral healthcare. The location at 1290 S. Potomac Street in Aurora is adjacent to the Medical Center of Aurora and a host of other medical service buildings, is visible from I-225, and located just south of a highway exit making it ideally located to meet the drop-off needs of first responders, support transitions of care from local hospitals, and promote coordination with other specialty healthcare providers located in this corridor.

We support the proposed model to create a one-stop comprehensive, trauma-informed care campus. We will continue to collaborate with AuMHC and STRIDE regarding access and coordination between our agencies at the new location, and to identify additional community needs that could be addressed by the project. The proposal has our full support and we strongly encourage that this be identified as a priority community project for Congressional District CO-06.

Sincerely,

James M. Twombly

City Manager



April 26, 2021

Congressman Jason Crow (CO-06) 3300 S. Parker Road #100 Aurora. CO 80014

Dear Congressman Crow,

As the contracted, exclusive emergency ambulance provider for the City of Aurora, this letter is to document the support of Falck Rocky Mountain for Aurora Mental Health Center's proposed FY2022 Member Directed Community Project. The project would support a joint effort between Aurora Mental Health Center (AuMHC) and STRIDE Community Health Center (STRIDE) to build a health campus including primary care, oral health, substance use disorder services and behavioral health crisis services. AuMHC and STRIDE have each been serving the most vulnerable residents of our communities for decades. The health campus model will bring together their shared expertise and experience to create a comprehensive continuum of services available in one location to ensure community members receive the right care, at the right time, and at the right location.

Falck Rocky Mountain strongly supports the proposed project as it will address priorities in access to healthcare services for the Aurora community, eliminating confusion for both clients and community partners regarding where to access acute behavioral healthcare. The location at 1290 S. Potomac Street in Aurora is adjacent to the Medical Center of Aurora and a host of other medical service buildings, is visible from I-225, and located just south of a highway exit making it ideally located to meet the drop-off needs of first responders, support transitions of care from local hospitals, and promote coordination with other specialty healthcare providers located in this corridor. Our organization treats and transports many in the community requiring these services, and we are proud to launch a 9-1-1 Social Worker/Paramedic behavioral health co-responder program in Aurora this summer.

We support the proposed model to create a one-stop comprehensive, trauma-informed care campus. We will continue to collaborate with AuMHC and STRIDE regarding access and coordination between our agencies at the new location, and to identify additional community needs that could be addressed by the project. The proposal has our full support and we strongly encourage that this be identified as a priority community project for Congressional District CO-06.

Sincerely,

David Patterson

Managing Director, Vice President



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## 4/26/2021

Congressman Jason Crow (CO-06) District Office 3300 S. Parker Road #100 Aurora, CO 80014

Dear Congressman Crow,

This letter is to document the support of Signal Behavioral Health Network (Signal) for Aurora Mental Health Center's proposed FY2022 Member Directed Community Project. The project would support a joint effort between Aurora Mental Health Center (AuMHC) and STRIDE Community Health Center (STRIDE) to build a health campus including primary care, oral health, substance use disorder services and behavioral health crisis services. AuMHC and STRIDE have each been serving the most vulnerable residents of our communities for decades. The health campus model will bring together their shared expertise and experience to create a comprehensive continuum of services available in one location to ensure community members receive the right care, at the right time, and at the right location.

Signal has had the privilege of partnering with AuMHC to fund and support safety net SUD and crisis behavioral health services for years. They continually demonstrate a commitment to the vision of integrated services in Colorado. Further, STRIDE has been a similarly excellent partner of community health services.

Signal strongly supports the proposed project as it will address priorities in access to healthcare services for the Aurora community, eliminating confusion for both clients and community partners regarding where to access acute behavioral healthcare. The location at 1290 S. Potomac Street in Aurora is adjacent to the Medical Center of Aurora and a host of other medical service buildings, is visible from I-225, and located just south of a highway exit making it ideally located to meet the drop-off needs of first responders, support transitions of care from local hospitals, and promote coordination with other specialty healthcare providers located in this corridor.

We support the proposed model to create a one-stop, client-centric, comprehensive, and trauma-informed care campus. We will continue to collaborate with AuMHC and STRIDE regarding access and coordination between our agencies at the new location, and to identify additional community needs that could be addressed by the project. The proposal has our full support and we strongly encourage that this be identified as a priority community project for Congressional District CO-o6. You may reach me at: <a href="ddarting@signalbhn.org">ddarting@signalbhn.org</a>.

Sincerely,

**Daniel Darting** 

**CEO** 

Signal Behavioral Health Network



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April 23, 2021

Congressman Jason Crow (CO-06) District Office 3300 S. Parker Road #100 Aurora, CO 80014

Dear Congressman Crow,

This letter is to document the support of STRIDE Community Health Center (STRIDE) for Aurora Mental Health Center's proposed FY2022 Member Directed Community Project. The project would support a joint effort between Aurora Mental Health Center (AuMHC) and STRIDE to build a health campus including primary care, oral health, substance use disorder services and behavioral health crisis services. AuMHC and STRIDE have each been serving the most vulnerable residents of our communities for decades. The health campus model will bring together their shared expertise and experience to create a comprehensive continuum of services available in one location to ensure community members receive the right care, at the right time, and at the right location.

STRIDE strongly supports the proposed project as it will address priorities in access to healthcare services for the Aurora community, eliminating confusion for both clients and community partners regarding where to access acute behavioral healthcare. The location at 1290 S. Potomac Street in Aurora is adjacent to the Medical Center of Aurora and a host of other medical service buildings, is visible from I-225, and located just south of a highway exit making it ideally located to meet the drop-off needs of first responders, support transitions of care from local hospitals, and promote coordination with other specialty healthcare providers located in this corridor.

We support the proposed model to create a one-stop comprehensive, trauma-informed care campus. We will continue to collaborate with AuMHC regarding access and coordination between our agencies at the new location, and to identify additional community needs that could be addressed by the project. The proposal has our full support and we strongly encourage that this be identified as a priority community project for Congressional District CO-06.

Sincerely,

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